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IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE DEJOY'S PROPOSED-10  
YEAR PLAN WILL SLOW DOWN AND HARM THE U.S. MAIL SERVICE  
EVEN MORE THAN HIS PREVIOUS CHANGES ALREADY HAVE.  
SPECIFICALLY, HE IS ADVOCATING:

- 1) TO MOVE 1ST CLASS MAIL BY TRUCK ONLY, INCREASING  
DELIVERY TIMES.
- 2) CLOSE/CONSOLIDATE UNDER-UTILIZED POST OFFICES WHICH  
WOULD FURTHER DIMINISH SERVICE IN RURAL AREAS, WHERE  
POSTAL SERVICE IS NEEDED THE MOST.
- 3) HINTS AT CONTINUED POSTAL RATE INCREASES.

PLEASE ACT NOT TO APPROVE THIS 10 YEAR PLAN AS IT WILL  
RESULT IN REDUCED ACCESSIBILITY, LONGER DELIVERY TIMES  
AND HIGHER RATES. INSTEAD PROPOSE CHANGES THAT  
INCREASES SPEED AND ACCESSIBILITY, THEN RATE INCREASES  
MAKE SENSE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK ON THE COMMISSION!

  
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